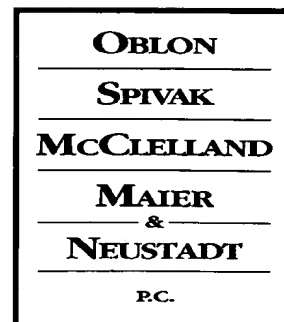




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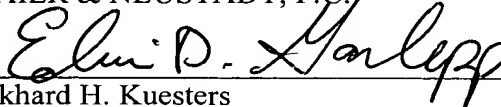
Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.181(a)(3)
Copy of Filing Receipt dated June 16, 2004
Copy of Information Disclosure Statement filed June 16, 2004
Copy of PTO Form 1449 filed June 16, 2004
Cited Reference 1

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Applicants herein petition the Commissioner in order to obtain consideration and acknowledgment on the record of the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed on June 16, 2004.

The noted IDS was filed in conformity with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.97-1.98.

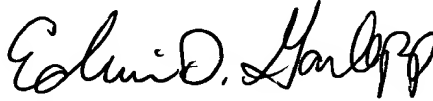
The above-referenced application has now been allowed. However, consideration of the references listed in the IDS was not indicated on the record insofar as an initialed PTO 1449 form was never mailed from the PTO. A copy of the IDS and respective date-stamped filing receipts are attached. Applicants respectfully request that the examiner acknowledge consideration of these references by initialing the PTO 1449 form(s) attached thereto and make the initialed PTO 1449 form of record.

Application Serial Number: 09/696,965
In Response to Notice of Allowance dated: December 23, 2004

Although Applicants do not believe that any fee is required for the present petition, any required fee should be charged the undersigned attorneys account no. 15-0030.

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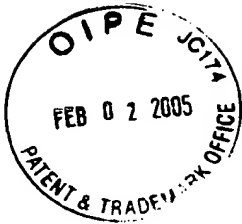
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The following has been received in the U.S. Patent Office on the date stamped hereon:

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Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

REFERENCES

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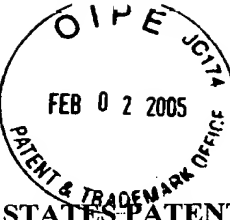
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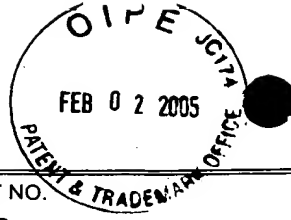
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